

ST. NEOTS RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

SAINT NEOTS, HUNTS.

8th June 1943.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1942.
(Condensed).

STATISTICS. - 125 live births were recorded. viz. 61 MALE
(10 illegitimate) and 51 FEMALE (8 illegitimate).
STILLBIRTHS - 2.

POPULATION. - 7,712. BIRTH RATE - 16.2. per 1000.
DEATH RATE - 12.9.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Male.	Female.
Respiratory Tubercle	3.	1.
Other Tubercle	1.	-
Influenza	1.	1.
Cancer	10.	5.
Diabetes	-	2.
Intracranial Vascular	-	-
Lesions	6.	6.
Heart Disease	13.	12.
Other Circulatory	-	1.
Bronchitis	3.	5.
Pneumonia	2.	2.
Other Respiratory	-	1.
Digestive Disease	1.	1.
Nephritis	2.	-
Puerperal Sepsis	-	1.
Premature Birth	2.	-
Congenital	3.	1.
Suicide	2.	-
Road Traffic	1.	-
Other violence	1.	4.
Other causes	4.	2.

TOTAL - 55. 44.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Cases Notified.

Scarlet Fever	-	7.
Whooping cough	-	9.
Diphtheria	-	1.
Measles	-	27.
Pneumonia	-	9.
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	11.
TOTAL -		64.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION - During the half-year ending 31st Dec. 1942
168 children under five years and 35 between 5 and 15 years were
immunized - I estimate that 80% of the children are now immunized.

SCABIES. There are still some sporadic cases but not nearly as many
as a year ago. Some, in my opinion, are aggravated by the parents or
fooster-parents applying sulphur ointment which they buy at the
chemists too liberally and setting up a sulphur dermatitis.

VENEREAL DISEASE. Owing to the courtesy of my medical colleagues
I am able to state that on 6.6.43 they were only aware of five
cases in the St. Neots Urban and Rural Districts.

WATER SUPPLY. Frequent bacteriological examinations have been made.
The public supply as far as it goes is very satisfactory.

MILK SUPPLY. This is not as good as I could wish. Insufficient
attention is paid to the Milk & Dairies Order 1926. para 28. -
(Cleaving of Churns, Bottles, etc). It is quite useless to
pasteurize milk and then pour it into a dirty churn or bottle.

signed. E.J.CROSS.

